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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 1, 2002, please amend the above-identified U.S. Patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Kindly cancel claims 1-17 and substitute claims 18-34 therefore.

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18. (New) A wrench having a head portion adapted to engage and apply torque to a workpiece, and turning means for turning said head portion, the wrench further comprising:

a flexible ring portion included in said head portion and attached to said turning means at one end and free at its other end, said ring portion having an inner working surface for engaging the workpiece;

clamping means included in the turning means for clamping the free end of the ring portion against the workpiece when the turning means is turned in a predetermined direction;

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